GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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March 22, 2022

The Honorable Muriel Bowser Mayor of the District of Columbia Mayor's Correspondence Unit The John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 316 Washington, D.C. 20004

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia The John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 504 Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:

This letter informs you that the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) plans to conduct a review of recommendations issued during Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 by the OIG's Audit Unit and Inspections and Evaluations Unit (I&E). Please see the attachment for a list of District agencies and corresponding projects that will be part of our review.

This review will also follow up on all recommendations issued by both Units prior to FY 2021 that were still open when the OIG published its most recent recommendation follow-up report in September 2021.

D.C. Code § 1-301.115a(a-1)(3) requires the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to "[p]rovide a means for keeping the Mayor, Council, and District government department and agency heads fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration of the [ir] programs and operations and the necessity for and *progress of corrective actions*" (emphasis supplied).

The objectives of this engagement are to determine: (1) the status of open recommendations; (2) whether corrective actions remedied key conditions identified in prior OIG reports; and (3) whether agencies realized monetary benefits (if applicable). We will conduct this review under generally accepted government auditing standards and standards promulgated by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency.

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To determine the progress of corrective actions, the OIG will survey District agencies to assess their efforts to implement recommendations and determine the status of corresponding corrective actions. Once they have analyzed the information received through the survey, the Audit Unit and I&E will coordinate and contact District agencies to request additional information and documentation to corroborate agencies' survey responses.

This project is included in the OIG's *Fiscal Year 2022 Audit and Inspection Plan*¹ and will be conducted under project code OIG No. 21-1-01MA. Please reference this project code in correspondence involving this engagement. Our preliminary fieldwork will begin on or about April 4, 2022.

Lisa Wilson, Supervisory Auditor, will arrange an entrance conference to discuss the review process, objectives and to answer questions. District agency leaders who receive this letter are asked to provide a point of contact from their agency to Ms. Wilson at <u>Lisa.Wilson1@dc.gov</u> by March 25, 2022. In the interim if you have questions, please contact me, Fekede Gindaba, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, or Edward Farley, Assistant Inspector General for I&E, at (202) 727-2540.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Lucas Inspector General

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Attachment

cc: See Distribution List

¹ Both the Audit Unit and I&E included this engagement in their respective parts of the FY 2022 Audit and Inspection Plan. As we did in FY 2021, the OIG will publish a single report that presents the findings of the Units' recommendation follow-up.

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Attachment: OIG FY 2021 Reports

Agencies	Report Title	Report Date	Open Recommendations
DBH, OCP	Evaluation of Contracting Procedures	July 7, 2021	12
DBH, DC Health	Evaluation of the District of Columbia's Opioid Crisis Response Program	September 2, 2021	10
DGS, OCFO	Audit of the West End Library and Fire Station Maintenance Fund	November 19, 2020	7
DGS, OCFO	Audit of the West End Library and Fire Station Maintenance Fund Activities for the Year Ending September 30, 2020	September 16, 2021	n/a
DOC	DOC's Current Procedures for Receiving, Investigating and Resolving Use of Force Incidents are Not Operating Effectively	July 26, 2021	11
OAG, OCFO	Audit of the Attorney General Restitution Fund Income and Expenditures for the Period October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2020	August 2, 2021	n/a
DCHR	DCHR Designed Controls Over Employee Benefits but Certain Controls Were Not Operating Effectively	September 30, 2021	26
DHCD	DHCD Did Not Effectively and Efficiently Use the Housing Production Trust Fund to Produce Affordable Housing Units for Extremely Low- Income Households	September 30, 2021	12
ОСР	Close Out Letter: Audit of the District Procurement During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency	May 12, 2021	n/a
OSSE, DCPS	Evaluation of Compliance with the Healthy Schools Act Health Education Requirements	November 23, 2020	12
OSSE, DHS	Inspection of the Child Care Subsidy Voucher Program	February 8, 2021	6
OSSE	Assessment of OSSE's Oversight of Local Education Agencies' and Community-Based Organization's Residency Verification Processes for Preschool and Prekindergarten Education Programs	May 19, 2021	0